

# Descendants of Franklin and Catharine Alderfer



Franklin L. Alderfer  
1864-1935



Catharine Landis  
1867-1948



**DESCENDANTS  
OF  
FRANKLIN AND CATHARINE ALDERFER**



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## NOTES

As a young man of seventeen years Frederick Alderfer came to Pennsylvania. He apparently came in an attempt to better himself economically, for he came as an indentured servant to Hans Clemmer. It may be that he also came to escape persecution and military service. He lived in the Salford area of Montgomery County.

Isaac D. Alderfer, the father of Franklin Alderfer, Sr., and the fifth generation of the Frederick Alderfer line lived in the Towamencin area of Montgomery County.

At this writing it isn't clear how Franklin Alderfer, Sr., met Catharine Landis, who lived at Dublin. But as a result of their marriage they took up their residence near Dublin in Bucks County and farmed there. He also did custom hauling with horses to Philadelphia and east and west in Bucks and Montgomery counties. In this way he opened the business world to his children. This may have been a factor which led three of his sons to engage in occupations other than farming.

Now within the family there is a great variety of occupations, but interestingly, most of the descendants still live in Bucks and Montgomery counties.

One hundred and one years after the birth of Franklin L. Alderfer and 98 years after the birth of Catharine Landis Alderfer there are 163 living descendants--6 children, 30 grandchildren, 97 great-grandchildren, and 30 great-great-grandchildren. Forty-nine persons joined this family through marriage, so the clan now numbers 212 living members.

For the first four known ancestors, Frederick and Anna Alderfer and John and Ann Landis there are no namesakes for John or Frederick (the closest is Eric Alderfer). For Anna and Ann there are Anna Kathryn Alderfer Ziegler, Anna Keller Alderfer Meyers, Anna Mae Mack, Anna Ruth Burkhart, and Ann Wade Alderfer.

For Franklin Alderfer, Sr., the namesakes are Franklin L. Alderfer, Jr., Horace Franklin Alderfer, and Glen Franklin Hertzler (b. Apr. 25, 1960; d. Apr. 27, 1960). For Catharine Alderfer the namesakes are Katie Alderfer (b. and d. Sept. 3, 1896), Kathryn Alderfer Landis, and Cathy Doreen Alderfer.

Paul Quentin Meyers was born on the birthday of his great-grandfather, Franklin L. Alderfer, Sr., on Oct. 11. Connie Ann Derstine was born on the birthday of her great-great grandmother, Catharine Landis Alderfer, on June 16.

June, 1965  
Edwin and Helen Alderfer

Children  
of  
Franklin and Catharine Alderfer

Cora L. Alderfer . . . . . Jan. 17, 1888  
(d. Dec. 31, 1961)

Horace L. Alderfer . . . . . May 29, 1889

Edith L. Alderfer . . . . . Dec. 17, 1890

Ephraim L. Alderfer . . . . . April 26, 1893  
(d. Nov. 9, 1963)

Katie L. Alderfer. . . . . Sept. 3, 1896  
(d. Sept. 3, 1896)

Franklin L. Alderfer, Jr. . . . . Dec. 22, 1897

Linford L. Alderfer . . . . . April 9, 1900  
(d. Nov. 10, 1918)

William L. Alderfer . . . . . Feb. 5, 1902

Arthur L. Alderfer. . . . . Apr. 23, 1905

Grace L. Alderfer . . . . . Aug. 8, 1908

### Cora L. Alderfer

Cora L. Alderfer	Jan. 17, 1888 born
	Dec. 31, 1961 died
Erwin Meyers Shelly	May 7, 1886 born
	May 14, 1943 died
Mildred A.	Jan. 6, 1911
Florence A.	Jan. 13, 1913
Earl A.	Feb. 10, 1917
Victor A.	Mar. 18, 1921
Martha A.	Mar. 19, 1922
Marie A.	Feb. 13, 1926

### Horace L. Alderfer

Horace L. Alderfer	May 29, 1889 born
Dora L. Ruth	April 17, 1889 born
	June 12, 1929 died
(married to Valeria Van Luvanee, Oct. 1931)	
Valeria Van Luvanee	Feb. 23, 1889
Kathryn	Dec. 21, 1911
Dorothy	Jan. 10, 1915
Henry	Aug. 24, 1916
Marion	June 16, 1918
	(died Sept. 1, 1918)
Paul R.	Dec. 1, 1919
Horace Franklin	Aug. 7, 1926
Robert	April 5, 1929

Edith L. Alderfer

Edith L. Alderfer                                  Dec. 17, 1890  
Warren D. Yoder                                  Dec. 5, 1890

Harold A. Yoder                                  July 4, 1915  
Anna Kathryn                                        Dec. 7, 1920

Ephraim L. Alderfer

Ephraim L. Alderfer                                  April 26, 1893  
    Nov. 9, 1963    died  
Anna Estella Ruth                                    July 18, 1893  
    April 28, 1962    died  
    (married to Anna Metz, Mar. 30, 1963)  
Anna Houpt Metz                                      July 19, 1903  
  
    May 30, 1919  
Gertrude Ruth    Irma Ruth    Nov. 1, 1929

Franklin L. Alderfer, Jr.

Franklin L. Alderfer, Jr.                            Dec. 22, 1897  
Maria Baum Stover                                    June 28, 1897

Edwin Stover    March 12, 1922  
Ruth S.    Jan. 3, 1927  
Esther S.    July 27, 1932  
Jane    July 10, 1939

### William L. Alderfer

William L. Alderfer	Feb. 5, 1902
Ida Detweiler Yoder	Feb. 9, 1901
	July 26, 1959 died
(married Eva Burkhart, Dec. 3, 1960)	
Eva Burkhart	Aug. 25, 1905
Ethel Yoder	May 3, 1928
Miriam Y.	June 9, 1935
Claude Y.	June 13, 1941

### Arthur L. Alderfer

Arthur L. Alderfer	April 23, 1905
Anna Barbara Keller	July 27, 1906
Arlene	Sept. 19, 1926
Marion	Oct. 10, 1928
Anna	Dec. 11, 1929
Evelyn	Sept. 4, 1932
Arthur James	May 15, 1939

### Grace L. Alderfer

Grace L. Alderfer	Aug. 8, 1908
Jacob Walter Yoder	July 9, 1908
Clyde Alderfer	Aug. 9, 1930
Edna	Sept. 8, 1934

## Descendants of Cora and Erwin Shelly

### Mildred Alderfer Shelly

Mildred Alderfer Shelly	Jan. 6, 1911
Willis Trauger Derstine	Jan. 25, 1907
Doris Shelly	Sept. 29, 1930
Wilmer	Sept. 13, 1931
Alma	July 11, 1932
Abram	May 23, 1936
Stanley	Jan. 17, 1939
George	Sept. 29, 1940
Merrill	Dec. 13, 1942
Lorraine	July 22, 1944
Betty	Nov. 8, 1946
Wayne	July 13, 1949
Mary	July 25, 1951

### Doris Shelly Derstine

Doris Shelly Derstine	Sept. 29, 1930
Arthur Hendricks Histand	Nov. 27, 1929
Karen Louise Derstine	Feb. 4, 1952
Susan Joyce	July 9, 1953
Rebecca	Nov. 18, 1954
Rachel	Nov. 18, 1954
Gerald	Nov. 12, 1956
Joel David	July 28, 1961
John	Aug. 26, 1963

### Wilmer Shelly Derstine

Wilmer Shelly Derstine	Sept. 13, 1931
Lorraine Ruth Nyce	Sept. 5, 1933
Terry Lee Nyce Derstine	Sept. 25, 1951
Wilmer Dale	Nov. 30, 1954
Rodney Scott	May 4, 1961

Alma Derstine

Alma Derstine  
Alban Wissman

July 11, 1932  
May 12, 1939

Abram Derstine

Abram Shelly Derstine  
Betty Young

May 23, 1936  
April 16, 1938

Stanley Derstine

Stanley Derstine  
Betty

Jan. 17, 1939  
Apr. 16, 1940

Connie Ann                         June 16, 1961  
Wendy Lynn                         April 22, 1964  
Keith                                 Mar. 9

George Derstine

George Derstine  
Nancy

Sept. 29, 1940  
Jan. 20, 1941

Gary                                 Oct. 9, 1963

Merrill Derstine

Merrill Derstine  
Darlene

Dec. 13, 1942  
Dec. 20, 1943

Florence Alderfer Shelly

Florence Alderfer Shelly	Jan. 13, 1913
William Detweiler Landis	Aug. 24, 1909

William Shelly Landis	Jan. 27, 1943
Earl	June 18, 1945
Harold	May 27, 1948
Donald	Oct. 31, 1950

William Landis, Jr.

William Landis, Jr.	Jan. 27, 1943
Beverly Ann Grossmyer	Sept. 14, 1946

Earl Shelly

Earl Alderfer Shelly	Feb. 10, 1917
Mabel Bergey Halteman	June 6, 1916

Richard Ivan Halteman Shelly	June 17, 1947
Carol Eileen	Jan. 10, 1952

Victor Shelly

Victor Alderfer Shelly	Mar. 18, 1921
Betty Rice	Feb. 12, 1924
Randy Lee Shelly	April 2, 1947
Bradley Dale	April 12, 1951
Baby Girl	Aug. 11, 1955
Vicki Ann	Aug. 11, 1955 died Oct. 7, 1957

Martha Alderfer Shelly

Martha Alderfer Shelly	Mar. 19, 1922
Winfield Ruth Hunsberger	May 16, 1921
Roger Lee Hunsberger	Oct. 9, 1946
Duane Hunsberger	Feb. 20, 1947 died
Glen	Jan. 5, 1948
Dawn	Nov. 16, 1950
	Aug. 29, 1956

Marie Alderfer Shelly

Marie Alderfer Shelly	Feb. 13, 1926
Lloyd Loux Bishop	Apr. 23, 1926
Diane Shelly Bishop	Aug. 2, 1948
Marjorie Kay	Apr. 4, 1952
Lloyd Darrell	Aug. 13, 1956
Lorie	Oct. 27, 1961
	Oct. 27, 1961 died

Descendants of Horace and Dora Alderfer

Kathryn R. Alderfer

Kathryn R. Alderfer  
Rufus Strickler Landis

Dec. 21, 1911

Kenneth A. Landis                    May 3, 1931  
Cassandra A. Landis                May 18, 1937

Kenneth A. Landis

Kenneth A. Landis  
Andera Rae

May 3, 1931

Karen                                  April 9, 1954  
Cathy                                  May 20, 1957  
Kenneth Christophel                April 10, 1965

Cassandra Landis

Cassandra A. Landis  
William H. Beers

May 18, 1937  
Oct. 30, 1933

William Scott Beers                Oct. 15, 1957  
Kimberly A. Beers                 Oct. 22, 1958

Dorothy R. Alderfer

Dorothy R. Alderfer	Jan. 10, 1915
Wesley A. Race	July 19, 1911

David Wesley Race	Oct. 4, 1940
Julia Fay Race	Feb. 9, 1944
Doris Elaine	Nov. 27, 1946
Marilyn Ruth	May 24, 1951
Phyllis Ann	April 1, 1953

Henry R. Alderfer

Henry R. Alderfer	Aug. 24, 1916
Mary Catherine Greaser	Feb. 22, 1919
Linda Rae Alderfer	July 20, 1943
Cathy Doreen	Feb. 11, 1948

Paul R. Alderfer

Paul R. Alderfer	Dec. 2, 1919
Helen Clemmer Moyer	
Merle C. Alderfer	Sept. 9, 1947

Horace Franklin Alderfer

Horace Franklin Alderfer  
Jean Cooper

Aug. 7, 1926

Glenn Cooper  
Jan Landis

Feb. 9, 1957  
July 29, 1959

Robert Alderfer

Robert Alderfer  
Dolores Gross

April 5, 1929  
April 15, 1932

Bryan Keith  
Sharon Lynn

Nov. 16, 1955  
July 10, 1961

## Descendants of Edith and Warren Yoder

### Harold A. Yoder

Harold A. Yoder	July 4, 1915
Alice T. Gahman	Aug. 13, 1914
Beatrice Margaret Yoder	Aug. 6, 1935
Harold Bruce	Feb. 9, 1945

### Beatrice Margaret Yoder

Beatrice Margaret Yoder	Aug. 6, 1935
Robert C. Henning	Sept. 9, 1933
Debra Renee	Sept. 9, 1954
Robert Carey	Feb. 12, 1957

### Anna Kathryn Yoder

Anna Kathryn Yoder	Dec. 7, 1920
Paul K. Ziegler	Nov. 13, 1916
Shirley Ann Ziegler	Dec. 29, 1941
Donna Kay	April 26, 1950

### Shirley Ann Ziegler

Shirley Ann Ziegler	Dec. 29, 1941
Paul Frankenfield	Mar. 10, 1937
Nancy Ann Frankenfield	Dec. 29, 1960
Beverly Dawn	May 30, 1962
Robert Douglas	Sept. 2, 1963

## Descendants of Ephraim and Anna Alderfer

### Gertrude Ruth Alderfer

Gertrude Ruth Alderfer	May 30, 1919
Henry Landis Mack	Aug. 30, 1912
Drollene Alderfer Mack	Sept. 28, 1939
Lawrence	Mar. 19, 1942
Anna Mae	Jan. 24, 1949
LaVerne	Dec. 13, 1949
	Feb. 6, 1951 d

### Drollene Alderfer Mack

Drollene Alderfer Mack	Sept. 28, 1939
Abe Gehman	Nov. 11, 1934
Shari Lynn Gehman	Mar. 5, 1960
Deborah Jane	June 24, 1961
Rebecca Dawn	Oct. 20, 1962
Michael Chad	Apr. 8, 1964

### Lawrence Mack

Lawrence Mack	Mar. 19, 1942
Beatrice Gehman	Nov. 30, 1940
Brent Myron Mack	Jan. 13, 1962
Wendy Adair	May 18, 1964

### Irma Ruth Alderfer

Irma Ruth Alderfer	Nov. 1, 1929
Wayne Benjamin Burkhart	Dec. 29, 1930
Geoffrey Wayne Burkhart	Aug. 21, 1956
Anna Ruth	July 11, 1960

## Descendants of Franklin and Maria Alderfer

### Edwin Stover Alderfer

Edwin Stover Alderfer	Mar. 12, 1922
Helen Verene Wade	Aug. 27, 1919
Eric Wade Alderfer	Mar. 13, 1946
Ann	July 7, 1948
Faith	May 14, 1951
Mary	Jan. 3, 1953
Amy	July 12, 1959

### Ruth Stover Alderfer

Ruth Stover Alderfer	Jan. 3, 1927
Aldus Kratz Hertzler, Jr.	Jan. 8, 1922
Baby Boy Hertzler	Sept. 24, 1951
	Sept. 24, 1951 died
Elizabeth Louise	Sept. 12, 1952
Alice Marie	Nov. 11, 1954
Glen Franklin	April 25, 1960
	April 27, 1960 died
Emily Jane	Nov. 28, 1961

### Esther Stover Alderfer

Esther Stover Alderfer	July 27, 1932
Paul Detweiler Moyer	Mar. 14, 1928
Kim Maureen	Feb. 22, 1962
Drew Alan	Sept. 12, 1964

### Jane Stover Alderfer

Jane Stover Alderfer	July 10, 1939
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## Descendants of William and Ida Alderfer

### Ethel Yoder Alderfer

Ethel Yoder Alderfer	May 13, 1928
James Derstine Clemmer	April 8, 1927
Karen Jean Clemmer	May 20, 1949
Kenneth James	Feb. 12, 1952
Gerald Alan	Sept. 8, 1954
Michael Ray	Dec. 27, 1961

### Miriam Yoder Alderfer

Miriam Yoder Alderfer	June 9, 1935
George Edward Gahman	Sept. 8, 1933
Don Edward Gahman	Sept. 7, 1954
Connie Lynn	Sept. 26, 1961

### Claude Yoder Alderfer

Claude Yoder Alderfer	June 13, 1941
Claire Reahn	July 20, 1940
Kimberly Ann	May 20, 1964

## Descendants of Arthur and Anna Alderfer

### Arlene Alderfer

Arlene Alderfer	Sept. 19, 1926
Claude Hendricks Histant	Aug. 4, 1926
Philip Claude Histant	Feb. 16, 1950
Ivan Gerald	Jan. 9, 1952
Ronald Eugene	Apr. 5, 1954
	Apr. 7, 1954 died
Charlotte Arlene	Jan. 13, 1958
Barbara Jean	Mar. 16, 1960
Gary Dean	Feb. 1, 1962

### Marion Keller Alderfer

Marion Keller Alderfer	Oct. 10, 1928
Garwood Leatherman Meyers	July 16, 1927
Dennis Lynn Meyers	Sept. 22, 1950
Phyllis Ann	Feb. 2, 1952
Pamela Jan	Jan. 14, 1956
Feryl Leon	May 5, 1960

Anna Keller Alderfer

Anna Keller Alderfer	Dec. 11, 1929
Harvey Edwin Detweiler Meyers	Feb. 10, 1929
Wendy Lou Meyers	Sept. 17, 1953
Garland Lee	Sept. 30, 1957

Evelyn Keller Alderfer

Evelyn Keller Alderfer	Sept. 4, 1932
Paul Wismer Meyers	April 27, 1931
Anita Gail Meyers	Oct. 30, 1952
Sheila Yvonne	Oct. 31, 1954
Paul Quintin	Oct. 11, 1958
Candice Joy	Dec. 30, 1959
Sharon Renee	Sept. 21, 1961
Lucia Beth	Feb. 21, 1964

Arthur James Alderfer

Arthur James Alderfer	May 15, 1939
Ruth Hess	June 15, 1938
Susan Denise	July 23, 1962

## Descendants of Grace and Walter Yoder

### Clyde A. Yoder

Clyde A. Yoder	Aug. 9, 1930
Lydia Detweiler	Feb. 14, 1931
Delphine Yoder	Mar. 30, 1952
Galen Clyde	Apr. 28, 1954
Sandra	Oct. 14, 1956
Gladys	Jan. 18, 1958
Walter Dean	Sept. 11, 1960

### Edna A. Yoder

Edna A. Yoder	Sept. 8, 1934
Robert N. Swartley	July 1, 1930
Julia Doreen Swartley	June 21, 1953
Gerald Robert	Mar. 26, 1955
Audrey Jean	Nov. 30, 1956
Kevin Lowell	Mar. 16, 1958
Rodney Karl	July 20, 1959
Brenda Elaine	Nov. 27, 1961

LANDIS LINE

Name	Born	Died
John Landis		1746
Ann Musselman		
Samuel Landis	1737	1771
Margaret		
George Landis	Feb. 24, 1762	June 6, 1842
Anna Meyers	Feb. 16, 1769	June 26, 1837
Rev. George Landis	Dec. 20, 1796	Aug. 28, 1881
Barbara Rosenberger	July 29, 1828	
Ephraim R. Landis	Dec. 13, 1824	
Catharine Rosenberger	July 29, 1828	
Catharine Landis	June 16, 1867	July 31, 1948
Franklin L. Alderfer	Oct. 11, 1864	Dec. 2, 1935

